

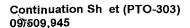
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	Application No.	Applicant(s)				
* Advisory Action	09/509,945	HAMADA ET AL.				
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The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cov r sheet with the correspondence address						
THE REPLY FILED 23 July 2003 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.						
PERIOD FOR REPLY [check either a) or b)]						
 a) The period for reply expiresmonths from the mailing date of the final rejection. b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). 						
Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).						
1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on 23 July 2003. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.						
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:						
(a) 🔲 they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);						
(b) They raise the issue of new matter (see Note below);						
(c) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or						
(d) they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. NOTE:						
B. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): 35 USC 112, second paragraph.						
4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) <u>11,12,15 and</u> amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) 11,12,15 and 16 would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed					
The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: <u>arguments are duplicative of those previously addressed.</u>						
6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered becaraised by the Examiner in the final rejection.	The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.					
	or purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) ☑ will not be entered or b) ☒ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.					
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:						
Claim(s) allowed: <u>11,12,15 and 16</u> .	Claim(s) allowed: 11,12,15 and 16.					
Claim(s) objected to:						
Claim(s) rejected: <u>13,14,17-23 and 26-29</u> .						
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: 24 and 25.						
The proposed drawing correction filed on is a) ☐ approved or b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.						
☐ Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s)						
0.⊠ Other: <u>See Continuation Sheet</u>						



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Continuation of 10. Other: lack of unity: unity broken by prior art, therefore method of making product (claims 24-25) are properly separated.

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